

Parish of Urney and Castlefin

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The Presentation of Our Lord

2nd February 2020

Mass Times:

Doneyloop: Mon – No Mass; Tues – 7pm; Weds & Thurs 9am; Fri – 7pm.

Castlefin: Mon – 7pm; Tues & Wed – 10am; Thurs – 7.30pm; Fri – 10am.

Monday is the feast day of St Blaise - Throats will be blessed during Mass in Castlefin at 7pm.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Doneyloop – Saturday 12pm – 1pm and on request.

Message from Fr. Porter to the Parishioners of Urney & Castlefin.

Eight months ago I began a Sabbatical leave on health grounds with the intention of returning to this Parish when the year was up. Unfortunately that will not now be possible and Bishop McKeown has accepted my request to retire as your Parish Priest. I will not be taking up any other appointment.

My time in Doneyloop was a special time for myself and my mother who ended her days here. I will always hold Doneyloop and the Parish of Urney & Castlefin dear to my heart.

Along with Fr. Crilly and more recently, Fr. O' Doherty and Fr. Hegarty I was blessed to be a priest among you.

Thank you. I will miss you all and miss being involved with you in the life of your Parish. Keep me in your prayers please. Let us pray for each other.



Baptism: We welcome into God's Church through baptism Brook Mary Ferguson,
25 Carberry Coast, Tullaghan, Co. Leitrim.

Visitation of the Sick: Fr Hegarty and Fr Crilly will visit the sick and housebound on Friday 7th February.

The next DTIM team meeting will be held on Thursday 6th February at 6.30pm in Doneyloop.

Novena to Our Lady of Lourdes begins tomorrow, Monday 3rd Feb until 11th. Novena prayer cards are available in the Church porch.

There will be a second collection next weekend 8th/9th Feb in both churches for Lourdes Hospitalité to help and care for pilgrims who are travelling on the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes in July.

Feast Of Our Lady Of Lourdes: Thornhill House, 121 Culmore Road, Derry – Open invitation for Prayer Intercession for the Sick on Tuesday 11 February (10:30 am to 8:00 pm). Exposition and Rosary as well as led prayers at 11:30 am and 1:30, 3:30, 5:30 and 7:30 pm. All welcome.

Weekend Collection:

25th/26th January:

St. Columba's Doneyloop

€1,095 £415

St. Mary's Castlefin

€1,495 £55

Thank you for your contribution.

St. Vincent de Paul Annual Silver Circle Draw will take place on Sunday 16th February in the S.V.P drop-in-centre. We appeal for promoters to help sell a line or two. Lines can be purchased in St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Shop, Clancy's or from any Conference member and they are €10.00 per line. Monday Club will recommence on Monday 3rd February. We look forward to our regulars returning and welcoming any newcomers. If anyone would like to know about this they can call on 074-9146726

Castlefin Social Services will host a 2 night stay in the Castle Court Hotel Westport Mayo on Sunday 29th March. Price of trip is €195 which includes 2 nights Bed & Breakfast and 2 dinners. A day trip and bus fare. Entertainment every night. Anyone interested please contact 085 2800171.

Robert Emmet's Club Notes: Lotto numbers for the 24th January 2-8-14-24, No Lotto jackpot winners but we had two match 3 winners. Next week's jackpot is a massive €4850. Bingo as usual this Friday 7th of February at 9.00pm with a snowball of €1940. We have club pens for sale if anyone would like to purchase them, they are €2 each and can be got from any club officer or they are available in Clancy's shop and the St. Vincent De Paul shop. Folks the national club draw tickets are now on sale, there are some great prizes, this is a great fundraiser for the club so we would want everybody in our club to get behind it and appeal to everyone in our community to please support it. Tickets are available from any club officer at a cost of €10 each.

Save Our St. Joseph's Hospital Action Group Committee wish to invite you to a public meeting to be held today - Sunday, February 2nd, at 3 p.m. in The Villa Rose Hotel Ballybofey to discuss the ongoing uncertainty around the future of long term residential beds, Dementia beds, short stay Medial Assessment beds and other concerns in St. Joseph's Hospital, Stranorlar.

ARISE event in Knock for young adults (18+) at Knock Shrine, Co Mayo: Catholic Youth Ministry Ireland (CYMI) invites young adults aged 18+ to join them for a faith event in **Knock** on **Saturday 7 March**. It is hoped to provide transport for those who would like to attend, from the diocese. CYMI is a national network that, amongst its work, shares responsibility for nourishing the faith of youth and young adults. For more details, please contact Yvonne in the Derry Diocesan Catechetical Centre: yvonne.rooney@derrydiocese.org or tel 0044 28 71264 087.

ALONE are seeking befriending volunteers for older people in the Ballybofey, Stranorlar, Killygordon, Convoy, Raphoe, St. Johnston, Lifford and Castlefin areas. ALONE provides a befriending service for older people which provides a vital resource to help tackle loneliness and isolation.